# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

# **NEWS RELEASE**



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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

## District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N. latitude, 131°18.90′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

#### District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017:

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at 55°00.73′ N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

#### District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017:

Section 3-A: will be open south of Mellen Rock Light located at 55°01.60′ N. latitude with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point located at 55°03.62′ N. latitude, 132°58.33′ W. longitude to Shoe Island Light to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point located at 54°43.80′ N. latitude, 132°41.83′ W. longitude;

<u>Hassiah Inlet and Mabel Bay</u>: will be closed east of 132°35.00′ W. longitude and south of the northernmost tip of Helen Island;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of Kassa Point located at 132°31.62′ W. longitude;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40′ N. latitude, 132°24.77′ W. longitude to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island to a point at 54°49.68′ N. latitude, 132°20.50′ W. longitude (located approximately 0.5 nautical miles east of Guide Rock).

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Point Desconocida located at 55°41.64′ N. latitude, 133°31.71′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Animas located at 55°32.06′ N. latitude, 133°27.37′ W. longitude to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda located at 55°19.11′ N. latitude, 133°27.80′ W. longitude.

Section 3-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

<u>Holbrook Arm, Van Sant Cove, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed north and west of a line from Limestone Point Light to the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 56°00.30′ N. latitude, 133°28.64′ W. longitude;

<u>Tokeen Bay</u>: all waters will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 133°28.64′ W. longitude.

## District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017:

District 4: will be open.

#### District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017:

District 5: will be open south of a line from Point Amelius to the westernmost Barrier Island then due east to Prince of Wales Island and north of a line from Cape Decision to Cape Pole.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, through 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 13, 2017:

Affleck Canal: will be open north of a line from Cape Decision Light to Point St. Albans.

Shakan Bay: will be open east of the longitude of Station Island Light.

## District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017:

Section 7-B: will be open north of a line from Ernest Point to Union Point.

## District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, through 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 13, 2017:

Section 9-B: will be open with the following restrictions:

Eliza Harbor: will be closed north of a line from Sharp Point to Deepwater Point;

<u>Point Gardner and Murder Cove</u>: will be closed north and west of a line from the southernmost tip of Carroll Island to Yasha Island Light and then due west the Section 9-A boundary;

<u>Keku Strait and Port Camden</u>: will be closed south of a line from Cornwallis Point Light to Point Macartney Light;

Gedney Harbor: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point to Point Cosmos;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.10′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude to 56°39.47′ N. latitude, 134°17.25′ W. longitude;

<u>Bay of Pillars</u>: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude.

### District 10

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, through 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 13, 2017:

Frederick Sound: will be open south and east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Turnabout Island Light then due west to the District 9 boundary line and west of line from a regulatory marker on Bay Point at 57°06.39′ N. latitude, 133°18.85′ W. longitude to West Point with the following restriction:

<u>Kupreanof Island shoreline</u>: will be closed within 2 nautical miles of the Kupreanof Island shoreline east of the longitude of westernmost tip of Schooner Island.

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline with the following restriction:

<u>Pybus Bay</u>: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Elliot Island to Point Pybus;

<u>Gambier Bay</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Gambier Island Light with all waters of Snug Cove closed.

## District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Samuel and north of the latitude of Point Wilson (Hood Bay, Chaik Bay, Whitewater Bay, and Wilson Cove to normal markers).

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, through 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 13, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Chichagof Island: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline south of East Point at 57°48.33′ N. latitude and north of Point Hayes, including the waters of Tenakee Inlet;

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of **Hanus Reef at 58°08.22' N. latitude** and north of Parker Point at 57°36.73' N. latitude;

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Hidden Falls THA: will be open in the waters of Chatham Strait within the boundaries of a line from South Point, as indicated by a marker at 57°16.28′ N. latitude, 134°51.78′ W. longitude to a point offshore at 57°16.28′ N. latitude, 134°48.00′ W. longitude, then running south to a point offshore at 57°06.76′ N. latitude, 134°43.00′ W. longitude then due west to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°06.76′ N. latitude, 134°47.50′ W. longitude with the following restriction:

<u>Kasnyku Bay</u>: will be closed west of a line from 57°13.32′ N. latitude, 134°50.94′ W. longitude to 57°12.66′ N. latitude, 134°51.38′ W. longitude.

#### District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, through 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 13, 2017:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restrictions:

<u>Stag Bay</u>: will be closed southeast of a line from 57°55.00′ N. latitude, 136°18.28′ W. longitude to 57°54.79′ N. latitude, 136°18.79′ W. longitude;

<u>Lisianski Inlet</u>: will be closed between 57°54.54′ N. latitude and 57°54.00′ N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek), between 136 °06.31′ W. longitude and 136°05.67′ W. longitude (near Steelhead Creek and closed east of 136°03.09′W. longitude.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

<u>Sister Lake:</u> will be closed east of a line from 57°38.11′ N. latitude, 136°00.36′ W. longitude to 57°37.58′ N. latitude, 136°00.00′ W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°07.90′ W. longitude;

Goulding Harbor: will be closed east of 136°14.17′ W. longitude.

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point with the following restrictions:

St. John Baptist Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of Zeal Point;

Sukoi Inlet: will be closed south of a line from Hayward Point to Sukoi Point;

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°35.16′ W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50′ N. latitude, 135°34.28′ W. longitude to the westernmost tip of Sasedni Island with the following restrictions:

<u>Starrigavin Bay and Mosquito Cove</u>: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.78′ N. latitude, 135°22.55′ W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00′ N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point;

<u>Nakwasina Sound</u>: will be closed northeast of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°10.58′ N. latitude, 135°24.81′ W. longitude to the easternmost tip of Crosswise Island to the northernmost tip of Beehive Island then due west to the Halleck Island shoreline.

West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be open east of 135°16.00′ W. longitude and south of 56°50.00′ N. latitude.

Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00′ W. longitude with the following restrictions:

Small Arm: will be closed north of 56°38.30′ N. latitude (entrance of Small Arm);

Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°41.10′ N. latitude.

Redfish Bay will be open north of the latitude of the westernmost tip of One Tree Rock (normal markers).

Section 13-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes;

Rodman Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from Point Elizabeth to Point Benham;

<u>Hoonah Sound North Arm and Peril Strait</u>: will be closed north of a line from 57°28.83′ N. latitude, 135°06.62′ W. longitude to Pederson Point (on Moser Island).

#### District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, through 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 13, 2017:

Section 14-A: will be open in the following area:

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at  $58^{\circ}12.51'$  N. latitude,  $136^{\circ}09.78'$  W. longitude to a point at  $58^{\circ}12.46'$  N. latitude,  $136^{\circ}16.39'$  W. longitude and north of a line from a point at  $58^{\circ}08.29'$  N. latitude,  $136^{\circ}10.18'$  W. longitude, to a point at  $58^{\circ}08.28'$  N. latitude,  $136^{\circ}11.92'$  W. longitude.

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

<u>King Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: **For all Southeast Alaska waters, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY NOT be retained and sold.** King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Monday, August 14, 2017.

Copies of the "2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S5217.

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## Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 32

## **Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 10, 2017**

## NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	250	200	23,000	500	23,950	6
District 3	0	700	150	88,000	1,000	89,850	9
District 4	0	7,000	1,200	166,000	4,200	178,400	17
District 7	0	600	200	70,000	5,000	75,800	14
Section 9-B	0	700	1,500	250,000	2,500	254,700	20
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	1,200	2,600	231,000	2,200	237,000	20
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	170	500	33,000	2,800	36,470	5
W. Admiralty shore	0	6,400	3,600	298,000	7,900	315,900	50
Section 13-A	0	5,000	5,000	1,700,000	22,000	1,732,000	104
Section 13-C	0	300	900	87,000	1,200	89,400	11
Total	0	22,320	15,850	2,946,000	49,300	3,033,470	256

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	42	33	3,833	83	3,992	
District 3	0	78	17	9,778	111	9,983	
District 4	0	412	71	9,765	247	10,494	
District 7	0	43	14	5,000	357	5,414	
Section 9-B	0	35	75	12,500	125	12,735	
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	60	130	11,550	110	11,850	
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	34	100	6,600	560	7,294	
W. Admiralty shore	0	128	72	5,960	158	6,318	
Section 13-A	0	48	48	16,346	212	16,654	
Section 13-C	0	27	82	7,909	109	8,127	

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 122,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 8,900 king and 135,000 chum salmon. Confidential: Districts 2, 5, and 10, Section 13-B, and Deep Inlet.

No reported harvest: District 2.